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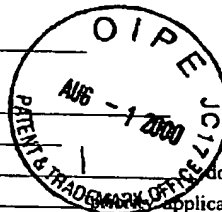
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PATENT APPLICATION

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
SHIN MUTO ET AL. ) : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
Application No.: 09/576,245 ) : Group Art Unit: NYA  
Filed: May 24, 2000 ) :  
For: DEVICE SEARCHING APPARATUS ) July 31, 2000

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document is given in the attached English-language abstract.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Application:

| <u>APPLICATION NO.</u> | <u>FILING DATE</u> | <u>GROUP ART UNIT</u> |
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| 09/552,589             | April 19, 2000     | 2771                  |

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of the cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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